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Interpretation and implementation of the Convention

Review of Resolutions and Decisions

REVIEW OF RESOLUTIONS FOLLOWING DECISION 14.19

- 1. This document has been prepared by the Secretariat.
- 2. At its 14th meeting (The Hague, 2007), the Conference of the Parties adopted Decision 14.19 as follows:

Directed to the Standing Committee

The Standing Committee should review any proposals from the Secretariat to correct nonsubstantive errors or minor editorial faults in current Resolutions and decide whether they should be referred to the Conference of the Parties. In cases where the Committee agrees with the proposals and considers that they need not be referred to the Conference, it may instruct the Secretariat to republish the Resolutions with the necessary corrections.

- 3. At its 57th meeting (SC57, Geneva, July 2008), the Standing Committee established an intersessional working group comprising Chile, France, Kenya, New Zealand, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America, Humane Society International, SSN and TRAFFIC, to review documents prepared by the Secretariat, for consideration at the present meeting of the Standing Committee.
- 4. In line with Decision 14.19, the working group agreed to propose amendments only to:
 - a) harmonize the terminology and follow United Nations editorial standards;
 - b) improve the clarity of the text;
 - c) correct the grammar or spelling;
 - d) update names and references where appropriate;
 - e) eliminate redundancy or superfluity; and
 - f) ensure that there is a correspondence between the three language versions.
- 5. The editorial review of Resolutions is ongoing and, so far, includes the Resolutions in effect up to those adopted at the eighth meeting of the Conference of the Parties (Kyoto, 1992) for the English and Spanish, and the fourth meeting (Gaborone, 1983) for the French. Annex 1 to this document contains the Resolutions in English for which amendments are recommended. Annex 2 contains recommended amendments to the Spanish version, and Annex 3 to the French version (in this regard, it should be noted that amendments in one language do not necessarily affect the other languages). Unless otherwise indicated, the recommendations reflect a consensus in the working group. Each amendment is accompanied by a short rationale but, if needed, the Secretariat will be pleased to provide a more detailed explanation for the recommendations.
- 6. The Standing Committee is invited to review the proposals in the Annexes and to accept or reject them, or to refer them to the Conference of the Parties, in compliance with Decision 14.19.